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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Garcia	ORIGINAL DATE		
		LAST UPDATED	2/09/06	HB
	AMERICAN INDIAN FILM & TV TRAINING			
SHORT TITLE	PROGRAM			SB 522
				ANALYST Weber

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$75.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Indian Affairs Department (IAD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 522 appropriates \$75 thousand from the general fund to the Indian Affairs Department for the purpose of supporting a film and television training program for American Indian and Alaska native culture and arts program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$75 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Indian Affairs notes the bill would encourage the continued development of the film and TV industry in New Mexico and encourage the development of American Indian and Alaska Native culture and arts. It could provide an excellent mechanism to assist with the stimulation of career development and could be a tool to foster social enrichment and community outreach.

Allowing these funds to go to NM tribal colleges and institutions such as the Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute and the Institute of American Indian Arts instead of the Indian Affairs Department could allow American Indian students who are beginning their careers to have access to a viable and interesting field of study.

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